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Chapman, Y.D.

RESIGNED.  
Pte. G. Meadows is permitted to  
resign from 31.12.16.

SPR. A. W. Smith is granted six  
months' leave from 1.1.17.  
Le. Cpl. P. Matheson is granted six  
months' leave from 1.1.17.  
Spr. B. Lillie is granted one month's  
leave from 27.12.16.  
Pte. W. P. C. Trafford is granted 14  
days' leave from 19.12.16.  
Spr. D. W. Munton is granted 12 days'  
leave from 28.12.16.  
Spr. C. Stafford is granted 10 days'  
leave from 29.12.16.

TRANSFERRED.  
Pte. C. E. Tavares, Right Section  
M.G. Co., is transferred to H.E.P.R.  
from this date.  
Gr. A. Forbes, Artillery Battery, is  
transferred to Signalling Section from  
this date.  
Gr. A. E. Golding, Artillery Battery,  
is transferred to Belchers 6" Section  
from this date.

PARADES.  
Tuesday 2nd January, 1917:—  
7.30 a.m. Belchers 6" Section at  
Belchers Battery.  
5.15 p.m. Stretcher Bearer Section at  
Headquarters.  
5.15 p.m. Mounted Section at Jockey  
Club Stables.  
5.30 p.m. Signalling Section at Head-  
quarters.

Wednesday, 3rd January:—  
7.30 a.m. Belchers 6" Section at  
Belchers Battery.  
5.15 p.m. Engineer Company (Taikoo  
Section only) section drill at Taikoo  
Docks.  
5.15 p.m. Artillery Battery platoon  
drill at Headquarters.

Thursday, 4th January:—  
7.30 a.m. Belchers 6" Section at  
Belchers Battery.  
5.30 p.m. Signalling Section at R. A.  
Theatre.

Friday, 5th January:—  
7.30 a.m. Belchers 6" Section at  
Belchers Battery.  
5.15 p.m. Recruits of all units at  
Headquarters. Corp. Grimes will attend.  
DETAILS.  
On duty 7th January, 1917: Scouts  
Company.  
On duty 8th January: Civil Service  
Company.  
On duty 9th January: Artillery Battery.  
On duty 10th January: Belchers 6"  
Section.  
On duty 11th January: Centre Section  
M.G. Co.  
On duty 12th January: Right Section  
M.G. Co.  
On duty 13th January: Scouts Com-  
pany.  
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ary, 1917: 2nd Lieut. Hogarty.

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Passports or identification papers. All  
persons, with certain exceptions, who  
remain in the Colony for more than  
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— Fire Fund £3,397,047  
— Life & Annuity Funds £17,967,590  
— Sinking Fund Account £25,220  
£23,970,367

Revenue Fire Branch £7,381,466  
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Revenue Marine Department £37,233  
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8.00 a.m. to 10.30 a.m. Every 15 minutes.  
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11.30 a.m. to 12 Noon Every 15 minutes.  
12 Noon to 1.00 p.m. Every 15 minutes.  
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8 A.M. 'HONAM' | 5 A.M. 'FATSHAN'  
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SUNDAY, 31st DECEMBER.  
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## EXCURSION TO MACAO

SUNDAY, 31st DECEMBER.

The Company's Steamship "TAISHAN."

will depart from the COMPANY'S WING LOK STREET WHARF at 9 a.m.

and return from Macao at 3 p.m.

N.B.—The Company will also run a steamer from Macao on Sunday morning at  
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CERTAIN cargo ex M. S. "GLEN" ARTNEY" having arrived here Messrs. Goddard & Douglas will attend at the Hongkong & Kowloon Wharf & Godown Company's Godown, Kowloon, on WEDNESDAY, 3rd January, at 10 A.M. to survey all damaged packages. Consignees of cargo arrived are requested to have representatives present.

SHEWAN, TOMES & COMPANY, Agents.  
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Hongkong, Dec. 30, 1916.

## THE DIARY.

## MEMOS FOR TO-DAY.

7.30 p.m.—Final Performance of  
"Kismet" at the Theatre Royal.  
10.45 p.m.—"Star and Garter Fund"  
Supper at the Hongkong Hotel.

## MEMOS FOR TO-MORROW.

Hogmanay.  
9 a.m.—Excursion to Macao by S.S.  
"Taishan".

## MEMOS FOR MONDAY.

General Holiday.  
10 a.m. Cricket—Kowloon v. The Rest  
at Kowloon.

## General Memoranda.

WEDNESDAY, Jan. 3.—  
11 a.m.—Auction of Household Furni-  
ture at No. 34 Wyndham Street.

FRIDAY, Jan. 5.—  
Noon—Green Island Cement Co.'s  
Extraordinary Meeting.

MONDAY, Jan. 8.—  
3.45 p.m.—Full moon.

WEDNESDAY, Jan. 17.—  
Noon—Presentation of Prizes by Lady  
May at Bellios Public School.

TUESDAY, Jan. 23.—  
Chinese New Year.  
General Holiday.

## VISITING CARDS

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a peace on quite other terms than  
those she is prepared to offer or  
accept now. The best wish we can  
have on the threshold of a new year  
is that this victory will be speedily  
achieved.

## NEWS OF THE DAY.

## LOCAL AND GENERAL.

Monday being New Year's Day,  
the next issue of the China Mail will  
be on Tuesday.

A watchnight service and holy  
communion will take place at St. Peter's  
Church to-morrow night.

Regulations made by H. E. the  
Governor are published in today's  
Gazette for the control of ship-building  
and ship-repairing facilities. No such  
work can be done without the permission  
of the Colonial Secretary.

## SOCIAL AND PERSONAL.

His Excellency the Governor has  
been pleased to appoint, Mr. Adam  
Gibson to act as Secretary to the  
Sanitary Board, in addition to his other  
duties, with effect from the 22nd inst.

His Excellency the Governor has been  
pleased to appoint Dr. H. Bales to be  
a Surgeon-Lieutenant in the Hongkong  
Volunteer Reserve, for the period of the  
leave of absence of Surgeon-Captain G.  
Montagu Harston, with effect from the  
22nd December, 1916.

## WEEK OF PRAYER, 1917.

United meetings on the basis of the  
programme of the Evangelical Alliance  
will be held under the auspices of the  
Hongkong Christian Union in the City  
Hall from January 1st to the 6th  
inclusive.

An earnest invitation is extended to  
members of the Christian congregations  
to attend and take part in these meet-  
ings for prayer and praise.

The programme for the week is as  
follows:

Monday, January 1st, 5.30 p.m.

Subject.—Praise and Confession

Speaker.—Rev J. K. Macdonald

Tuesday, January 2nd, 5.30 p.m.

Subject.—The Church Universal, Its

Sanctity, Its Aspirations for

Unity

Speaker.—The Bishop of Victoria

Wednesday, January 3rd, 5.30 p.m.

Subject.—The Nations and the Present

Crisis

Speaker.—Rev H. E. Anderson

Thursday, January 4th, 5.30 p.m.

Subject.—Missions to Non-Christians

Speaker.—Rev E. E. Bryant

Friday, January 5th, 5.30 p.m.

Subject.—Family Life and the Training

of the Young

Speaker.—Mr. A. H. Harris

Saturday, January 6th, 12.30 p.m.

Subject.—Christian Work in this

Colony

Speaker.—Rev H. Copley Moyle

ST. JOHN AMBULANCE  
ASSOCIATION.

## FIRST AID EXAMINATION.

At a First Aid Examination held re-  
cently at the Tang Wah Hospital the  
following were successful:

1st Certificate.—Au Hon-kong

Cheng Ching-lung, Hung Chong-wo, Ho

Hoi-leung, Hung Wan-sang, Mak Sai-  
Yun-sang, Te Tak-po, Wong Kam-yung,

Wong Tse-hum, Wong Yau-kan.

2nd Certificate.—J. L. McPherson.

Medallion.—See To-shung.

Dr. S. F. Lee was the Hon. Lecturer

to the Class, and Dr. G. H. Thomas

acted as Hon. Examiner.

## CLOSING QUOTATIONS.

12.30 p.m.  
Hongkong Fire ..... \$375 sellers  
Steamboat ..... 20 buyers  
Indos Del ..... 137 sellers  
China Sugars ..... 127 sales

## UNNECESSARY WORDS.

Why waste words and advertising  
space in describing the many  
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satisfied when we state that it cures  
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that it contains absolutely no narcotics  
or injurious substances. For sale by all  
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## CORRESPONDENCE.

## "HEATHER DAY."

(To the Editor of the "China Mail.")

Sir,—This Fund is now closed, and  
the result is that a sum of \$1,582.28,  
which includes contributions of \$521.23  
and \$79.91 from Amoy and Taipei  
respectively, is available for dis-  
tribution. No decision as to the  
allocation has, as yet, been arrived at,  
but the money has been remitted to  
London and placed on deposit with  
the Chartered Bank of India,  
Australia and China, and will be ap-  
portioned in due course. The delay in  
making arrangements for the disposal of  
the money in question is on account of  
the Committee's desire to utilise it to  
the best possible advantage, and to  
allot it to such Scottish War Funds as  
are most worthy and in need of support.

As the result of a Committee Meeting  
held on 27th instant a cable was  
despatched to Mr. C. H. Ross, a Past  
President of the Hongkong St. Andrew's  
Society, and who is in touch at Home  
with those administering funds of the  
nature indicated, asking him to send,  
by mail, recommendations as to where  
amongst Scottish War Charities, funds  
are most urgently needed. On receipt  
of a reply from Mr. Ross the Committee  
will finally decide as to the allocation,  
and will in due course publish in the  
Local Press the names of the schemes  
which will benefit thereby. The gratify-  
ing result of "Heather Day" was due to  
the ready backing of the Committee's  
efforts, and it is desired to place  
on record an appreciation of all as-  
sistance rendered, especially by the  
Ladies and Children, not only on  
30th November itself but in con-  
nection with preliminary arrange-  
ments as well. This opportunity is also  
taken to thank all Subscribers for their  
very generous support of the scheme,  
and the help rendered by the following  
is likewise much appreciated:—Colonel  
Watson and Officers of 74th Punjab  
Tahook Dockeyard, Hongkong and  
Whampoa Dock Co. Ltd.; Hongkong  
Tramway Co. Ltd.; Owners of Motor  
Cars which were lent for Procession,  
South China Morning Post, China Mail,  
Hongkong Telegraph, Hongkong Daily  
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Fairall; Wm. Powell Ltd.; Hongkong  
Cricket Club, Tack Cheong, Ben Ton,  
Messrs. Neil Drummond, George  
Duncan, T. Miller, D. A. Miller and  
E. I. Sim.

Yours etc.,

J. H. WALLACE.

Hongkong, 29th December, 1916.

## VENIZELIST ARMY OF 100,000 MEN.

The Press Bureau of the National  
Government has issued a statement  
explaining the Government's view of the  
Venizelists' attitude on the situation  
created by the agreement between the  
Government at Athens and the Entente  
Powers.

"As is known, the Government at  
Athens has completely accepted the  
demands of the Entente, namely, to  
evacuate the islands from Thessaly and  
to deal with the anarchy reigning in  
Greece and with the misdeeds of the  
newspapers of the German propaganda.  
The Government at Athens must no  
longer tolerate Venizelists coming to  
Macedonia in order to drive the enemy  
from the invaded motherland or raise  
any obstacle to their departure for  
Salonica. Following the acceptance of  
the Entente's demands, the Government  
at Athens has still been allowed to exist  
with a shadow of power. The Venizelists  
of the Germanophile press at Athens  
are celebrating the above-mentioned  
agreement as a diplomatic triumph for  
the King are causing amusement to the  
Provisional Government.

"The demands of the Entente, how-  
ever, will certainly not be loyally carried  
out. The army in Thessaly will doubt-  
less be withdrawn, but several regiments  
will be left behind in that province on  
the pretext of maintaining order, but in  
reality to form centres of new con-  
centrations. The maintenance of order  
proved to be the excuse for the com-  
mission of the outrages committed by  
Colonel Brundage. In addition vessels  
transporting Venizelists to Salonika will  
be sunk by German submarines which  
have received information in advance.  
The Provisional Government hopes  
that the Allies will not allow themselves  
to be easily duped and will employ every  
means to maintain their security and  
that of the real Greece, which is  
represented by the Government at  
Salonica.

"The Venizelist Government, which  
has already been recognised de facto, is  
in a position to face all military expedi-  
tures. In addition it has obtained a loan  
granted by the Entente Powers, and  
possesses considerable means for carry-  
ing out all its enterprises. The Govern-  
ment at Salonika, encouraged by the  
sympathy of the civilised world and of  
the organisation of the army. Volun-  
teers are coming forward from every-  
where, and will form an army of  
100,000 men. The efforts of the  
Government will be assisted by the collabo-  
ration of their most eminent colleagues  
who are already in the service of the  
Provisional Government. The war mater-  
ial has mostly been provided by the  
Allied Powers. The soldiers of the  
National Army will be very well equip-  
ped and fed. The Venizelist Government  
will pay war allowances to officers and  
men, as well as allowances to their  
families. The war allowances of officers  
will be almost equal to those of their  
French colleagues. The Provisional  
Government undertakes at the same time  
to maintain the rights of the officers in  
the service of the King of Greece. This is why  
the Venizelist Government is showing  
itself indifferent to the falsehoods of the  
anti-Liberal press of Athens.

## BOXING.

## SCOTT'S NEXT OPPONENT.

HEAVY-WEIGHT CHAMPIONSHIP  
AGAIN DISPUTED.

Seaman Stapleton, who has challenged  
Scott for the heavy weight champion-  
ship, gave an exhibition of his ability at  
a private gathering last evening. While  
he owns a punching left and a cap-  
able right he will have to undergo much  
more vigorous training before he can  
hope to secure a victory over the Eng-  
lishman. Stapleton is training with Paddy  
Finn, who thought he had a good chance  
against Scott and sustained a rude  
awakening in the fourth round, when he  
went down like a log before a clinching  
punch that will unnerve Stapleton and  
spell his quietus, if it lands squarely.  
The seaman is 32 years of age and al-  
ready acquainted with Hongkong, having  
introduced Grant when on board H.M.S.  
Aunt some five years ago. Stapleton was  
a trainer then, and did not take up the  
game seriously. In fact, this proposal to  
wrest the heavy weight championship  
of the Colony is really his only serious  
engagement. At Gibraltar in 1906-7  
Stapleton fought in an Army and Navy  
tournament and again in 1910 when he  
met Armstrong, who is reputed to be as  
keen as mustard in the services. And  
that is the whole of his record. He is  
well made, but not nearly the picture of  
physique Pepsin is, who was a sparring  
partner last evening. Three rounds with  
Paddy Finn did not give the seaman a  
great deal of scope. He held off  
and it was apparent he did not want  
to give too much away. Scott will  
draw all he knows in the first round  
for he has a sound knowledge  
of Paddy's ring craft. Stapleton's  
glaring weakness was in guarding, and  
Pepsin—the Lonsdale shield holder and  
champion of the British Police—landed  
some very telling blows, mainly straight,  
which soon tore the skin off the seaman's  
nose. Pepsin and Stapleton are old  
friends and the latter knew Pepsin  
before he joined the Metropolitan Force.  
He was always good going and a fellow  
who can stand no end of punishment.  
While there was no attempt to reach a  
decision in three rounds the scrapping  
between Pepsin and Stapleton got  
quite serious on occasions and at  
other points Pepsin "uncovered" to  
receive Stapleton's sledge-hammer punches  
on the jaw and nose. Stapleton  
certainly gave more of a show with  
Pepsin and negotiated some fine offensive  
work which gave the spectators the im-  
pression that Scott will not have such a  
simple task as he had with his last  
victim—Paddy Finn. Stapleton extricated  
himself with ability from tight places  
and was always aggressive, fol-  
lowing his man on to the ropes and  
drawing with the right and ramming  
home a clinching left. His nose re-  
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## THE WAR.

## LATEST TELEGRAMS.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

## THE BATTLE OF THE SOMME.

## SIR DOUGLAS HAIG'S DETAILED DISPATCH.

LONDON, Dec. 29. Sir Douglas Haig's dispatch on the Battle of the Somme, dated December 23rd, is published. It consists of about 16,000 words and deals in "bare outline with the importance of the occurrences" of the British part in the Battle of the Somme, "one of the greatest, if not the greatest, struggles which have ever taken place."

It begins by explaining why the offensive was so long delayed, namely because of the necessity for "great numbers of men and munitions, and also because of the fact that a large proportion of the officers and men were far from being fully trained. For these reasons the longer it was delayed, the better, but it was evident from the German attack at Verdun and the Austrian offensive on the Trentino that "the strain might become too great to be borne unless timely relief action were taken."

The dispatch mentions the stupendous preparations, including the accumulation of vast stores of all kinds near the front, the construction of new railways of different gauges, gun emplacements, trench tramways and dug-outs for ammunition, food, water, and engineering materials; also numerous well-boring had to be sunk and 120 miles of water-mains laid.

## OBJECTS OF THE OFFENSIVE.

Sir Douglas Haig defines the threefold object of the offensive as, first, to relieve Verdun; second, to assist the Allies in other theatres by stopping the transfer of enemy troops from the west; and, thirdly, to wear down the strength of the enemy.

Sir Douglas Haig then describes the actual operations, necessarily covering a good deal of ground in his previous brief reports. He emphasises the three main phases of the battle—(1) "Considerable confusion and disorganisation in the enemy's ranks, caused by the attacks beginning on July 2nd; second, the operations from the 14th to the 17th July, which gave us the command of the southern crest of the main plateau between Deville Wood and Bazentin-le-Petit, with the subsequent prolonged struggle for mastery, "wherein, though progress was slow and difficult, the confidence of the men in their ability to win was never shaken. By September 1st they had established a fighting superiority which has left its mark on the enemy"; and, thirdly, the phase in which we pushed down the lower ridge and extended our flanks from Morval to Thiepval."

Sir Douglas Haig claims that all three objectives of the battle were achieved. "Any one of these results in itself," he says, "justified the battle of the Somme. The attainment of the three amply compensates for the sacrifices made by ourselves and our allies, bringing us a long way towards final victory."

Sir Douglas Haig says the fact that the strength of the enemy in November on the Western front was greater than in July, despite their abandonment of the Verdun offensive, justifies the first two claims.

Regarding the third objective, Sir Douglas Haig admits that any statement must depend in some degree upon estimates. Nevertheless there is sufficient evidence to show that it is not doubted that the enemy's losses in men and material were considerably higher than those of the Allies, while morally our advantage was greater. Four-fifths of the enemy Divisions on the Western front were thrown successively into the battle—some twice, and some three times. Undoubtedly, towards the end of the operations the enemy's power of resistance had very seriously diminished. These results by troops, the vast majority of whom had been raised and trained during the war, constitute a feat of which the history of our nation contains no equal.

## THE LESSON OF THE BATTLE.

Sir Douglas Haig concludes: "The enemy power is not yet broken, nor is it possible to estimate the period before the objects for which the

Allies are fighting will be attained, but the Battle of the Somme placed beyond doubt the ability of the Allies to gain those objects. The German Army is the mainstay of the Central Powers. Full half of that Army, despite all the advantages of a defensive position supported by the strongest fortifications, suffered defeat. Neither the victors nor the vanquished will forget this, and, though bad weather has given the enemy a respite, there undoubtedly will be many thousands in his ranks who will begin a new campaign with little confidence in their ability to resist our assaults."

## OTHER FEATURES OF THE DISPATCH.

One of the features of the dispatch is the marked sobriety of the language. No units, brigades or divisions are particularised, in order not to give information to the enemy. The General says: "Suffice to say that the troops comprised men from every part of the United Kingdom and Empire."

The only names mentioned are those of General Sir H. Rawlinson and General H. Gough, commanding the 4th and 5th Armies respectively; and General Sir E. Allenby, who carried out the subsidiary attack at Gommecourt on July 1st. The dispatch states that the preparations for the battle were carried out under General Rawlinson's orders, and that General Gough was placed in charge of a portion of the front after July 1st in order to enable General Rawlinson to concentrate in the main battle area.

The dispatch refers to the dreadful weather during October and November turning the trenches into deep mud-channels, and preventing the taking of full advantage of the favourable situation created by the advances made at a time when there was good ground for hoping to achieve yet more important successes. The General pays tribute to the splendid co-operation throughout the battles of the artillery and the flying corps; and points out that mastery of the air entails a constant and liberal supply of machines. He speaks of the great part played by machine-guns, chiefly defensively; also of the usefulness of the "tanks," and he affirms that we maintain a superiority in tunnelling, thus safeguarding our trenches. The skill, enterprise and courage of the tunnellers is remarkable. "Thanks to them the enemy has nowhere obtained an important mining success."

He tells how the enemy's use of liquid fire and gas compelled us in self-defence to retaliate and says the Army owes much to distinguished chemists, physiologists and physicists "who enabled us to surpass the enemy in the use of means which surprised the civilized world. Our experiences in this connection proved that the German employment of such methods was not the result of desperate action but was prepared deliberately"; and adds that the evidence of prisoners and captured documents, also our own observation, show that the enemy suffered heavily from our gas, while our means of protection from his was effective.

Finally, Sir Douglas pays a tribute to the unflinching co-operation of the French. "Their splendid fighting qualities, kindness and good-feeling universally displayed toward us have won our gratitude, respect and admiration."

## ENEMY'S TRENCHES GREATLY DAMAGED.

LONDON, Dec. 30.

General Sir Douglas Haig reports: A successful raid was carried out eastward of Le Sars. The enemy's trenches were found to have been greatly damaged by our artillery. We repulsed an attempted raid eastward of Arronchieres.

There is intense reciprocal artillery activity southward of the Ancre and in the neighbourhood of Berles.

## LONDON FOG.

LONDON, Dec. 29. The thickest fog for years prevailed in London last night. All street traffic was stopped and train services were disorganised.

## TSAR'S MESSAGE TO HIS TROOPS.

## WHEN PEACE WILL BE POSSIBLE.

PETROGRAD, Dec. 29.

The Tsar in an Order to his Army and Navy says: "The enemy strength is apparently waning while that of the Allies is continually growing. Germany feels that complete defeat and retribution are near, as when her war strength was superior she suddenly declared 'war' but now, feeling her weakness, she suddenly offers peace, particularly desiring to begin negotiations before her military talent is exhausted, simultaneously creating a false impression of strength by her temporary success against Rumania, who is inexperienced in modern warfare."

But the Allies now in their turn will be able to negotiate peace at a time favourable to themselves. This time has not yet arrived. The enemy is not yet driven out of the occupied provinces. Russia's attainment of the tasks created by the war—the regaining of Constantinople and the Dardanelles, and the creation of a free Poland is not yet guaranteed. Who dares to think that he who began the war shall have the power to conclude it when he chooses? Peace is only possible after the enemy has been driven out from borders and has given real guarantees of permanent peace."

## MORE PEACE NOTES.

## SCANDINAVIAN COUNTRIES SUPPORT AMERICAN NOTE.

COPENHAGEN, Dec. 29. Sweden, Norway and Denmark have each sent a Note to the belligerents expressing Scandinavia's strongest adherence to President Wilson's proposals. The Notes say that the Governments of these countries consider that they would be wanting in their duty to their peoples and to Humanity if they failed to support any action contributing to end the ever-growing moral and material sufferings and losses entailed by the war.

## GERMAN COMMENT ON PEACE EFFORT.

AMSTERDAM, Dec. 29. The *Kölnische Zeitung* says there are indications that efforts to restore peace will be unsuccessful because the Entente will not accept the German conditions, namely no discussion of the responsibility for the war, and no subjection of Germany.

## FRENCH SOCIALISTS AND THE WAR.

PARIS, Dec. 29. The National Congress of French Socialists has passed a resolution scouting the Peace Note and emphasising that the Allies must vigorously continue their effort for national defence.

## AN ITALIAN REPUBLICAN MANIFESTO.

ROME, Dec. 29. The Republicans have issued a manifesto urging the continuation of the war until Italy's national aspirations are satisfied.

## ANGLO-FRENCH CONFERENCE IN LONDON.

## ARRANGEMENTS FOR INCREASED WAR EFFICIENCY.

LONDON, Dec. 29. The Press Bureau announces that during the past three days continuous conferences have been held in London between the British Government and M. Ribot (French Minister of Finance), M. Thomas (French Minister of Munitions) and other French representatives. A full discussion showed complete agreement. The Minister of Munitions has appointed a committee to consider the best means to secure adequate supplies of alcohol for war purposes; and the requirements of essential trades. The munitions, transport and air services will be greatly increased.

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## STRONG GERMAN ATTACK. BROKEN BY FRENCH FIRE.

PARIS, Dec. 29.

A communiqué states: After an intense bombardment, the Germans strongly attacked on a front of over three kilometres from the west of Hill 304 to the east of Deadman Hill. The attack was broken by our fire. Only some fractions of the enemy penetrated a trench south of Deadman Hill.

Five enemy aeroplanes were brought down on the 27th inst.

## GERMAN CLAIM.

LONDON, Dec. 29. A German official message by wireless claims to have penetrated the French second and third lines on Height 304, impression of strength by her temporary success against Rumania. It also states that they took 222 prisoners and repulsed counter-attacks.

## SUCCESSFUL WORK BY AIRCRAFT.

LONDON, Dec. 29.

A French communiqué says: Thirteen British Naval aeroplanes dropped a ton of bombs on blast furnaces at Dillingen.

French aeroplanes heavily bombed the railway stations at Montmedy and Pierrepont, east of Longuyon; factories at Thiouville and Jœuf in Briey; and a coalfield and blast furnaces at Rombach and Hagondange.

Two dirigibles bombed factories at Hagondange and ironworks at Neunkirchen.

## THE ENEMY'S ADVANCE IN RUMANIA.

## BATTLES IN PROGRESS.

LONDON, Dec. 29.

A Russian official communiqué received by wireless states: The enemy advance continues in the Otuz Valley.

Battles are proceeding for the heights east of Semezo.

The enemy has pressed back the Rumanians a vast north and south of the Kasino river, west of Govesha.

We repulsed attacks north of Rimnikerat, on the left bank of the Rionik railway, near Rimnikerat, as far as Bolou near Filipcesti.

## GERMAN CLAIMS.

A wireless message says a German official announcement states:

We stormed positions on the Transylvanian Eastern front, and took 1,400 prisoners, 8 cannon and 18 machine-guns and advanced as far as Dumitresti, twenty kilometres north-west of Rimnikerat. We advanced and captured positions between Rimnicul and Buzaul river. We took on the 28th inst. 1,400 prisoners and three guns.

We have captured Rachel, in Dobruja.

## THE RUMANIAN ARMY.

JASSY, Dec. 29. M. Bräno, the Premier, has issued a proclamation stating that the Rumanian Army has only withdrawn in order to reorganise and will be again at full strength in a few months. It is still receiving munitions and war material.

## THE BLOCKADE OF GREECE.

## A GREEK REQUEST.

LONDON, Dec. 29. The Greek Government has presented a Note to the Entente requesting the raising of the blockade.

Telegrams from the Venizelist quarters at Salonika state that the Royalists are actively and systematically extirpating pro-Ententism. Prominent residents at Volo have been subjected to indignities. Those who supported the Venizelist cause at the last election have been arrested, and their premises looted.

The Greeks in Egypt are enthusiastically supporting the National Delegation Army.

The Provisional Government at Salonika is forming Labour battalions.

## PORTUGUESE PROGRESS IN EAST AFRICA.

LOURENÇO MARQUES, Dec. 29. The Portuguese have occupied the posts of Malchamba and Nangadi. The Germans have retired to the left bank of the Rovuma river where the Portuguese hold the factory.

## CANADA AND CONSCRIPTION.

OTTAWA, Dec. 29. Sir Robert Borden, the Premier, has declared that the Government will adopt conscription if necessary.

## CLIMAX OF GERMAN SAVAGERY.

## OUTRAGE IN THE MEDITERRANEAN.

LONDON, Dec. 29.

An Admiralty communiqué narrates an outrage in which German savagery in the torpedoing of merchantmen appears to have reached its climax.

The British steamer *Westerminster*, proceeding to Port Said, was twice struck without warning by a submarine when 180 miles from land. Four persons were killed.

The *Westerminster* sank in four minutes. The submarine proceeded to shell the officers and crew while escaping from the ship in boats. The Master and Chief Engineer were killed outright. Their boat was sunk and five other occupants are presumed to have been drowned.

The communiqué scathingly denounces the act of the submarine crew. The order was carried out in cold blood.

## SUFFERINGS OF BRITISH PRISONERS IN AFRICA.

## BRUTAL TREATMENT BY GERMANS.

LONDON, Dec. 29.

The Rev. Mr. Spanton, Principal of St. Andrew's College, Zanzibar, who was a prisoner with the Germans in East Africa from the outbreak of war till the Germans captured Tabora, has arrived in England. Interviewed by Reuter he gave a most painful account of the sufferings of the prisoners at Tabora, including men and women of superior rank and education. The Germans pursued a deliberate policy of degrading them before the natives, made them clean the native latrines, drag lorries, and act as labourers to native workmen. A near relative of an Indian Maharajah was similarly treated. English women and men were herded together in iron sheds without the smallest sanitation and with native sentries inside throughout the night. This brutal treatment was only relaxed when the Germans saw that defeat was imminent.

## ACCELERATION OF SHIPBUILDING.

LONDON, Dec. 29.

The Shipping Controller has appointed an Advisory Committee composed of shipping experts to consider the acceleration of shipbuilding and for the general administration of a new shipbuilding programme which will be undertaken by the controller.

## AMALGAMATION OF SCOTTISH FIRMS.

LONDON, Dec. 29.

The amalgamation is announced of the Scottish firms of David Colville, steelmakers, and Archibald Russell, coal owners, employing 14,000 hands.

## EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

## "OFF-SEASON" ON THE BRITISH FRONT.

## HARASSING THE ENEMY.

LONDON, Dec. 29.

Although no operations on a big scale are at present being carried out on the British front, the Germans are never given a moment's peace. A correspondent on the British front relates that never a day elapses without a raid being made on the German lines, inflicting heavy losses on the enemy. They are keeping the Germans on tenterhooks, the enemy never knowing where the next blow will fall. The result of this harassing has exceeded all expectations. Besides raids, the British artillery fire is ever heavier, and big guns are incessantly showering shells behind the enemy front, particularly on his lines of communication, seriously hampering his supply services; and this is what the "Tommy" call an "off-season."

## THE SOMME FRONT.

## BRITISH TAKE OVER NEW PORTION.

LONDON, Dec. 29.

A French war correspondent indicates that the taking over by the British of the new portion of the Somme front was completed by Christmas.

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## THE GERMAN RESERVE.

In "Land and Water" Mr. Balfour

deals at length with Germany's main power, and he summarises his conclusions as follows:

I.—The total number of men in the present establishment of the German field force and its auxiliaries is somewhat over five million.

II.—The reserve of man power behind this greatly increased force, available up to, say, August of next year, is not more than 1,810,000 or 1,920,000, upon a general estimate. It may well in practice prove to be not over 1,225,000. It can upon any calculation be made to reach a million and a half.

III.—That is a replacement of one man in five, but not of one man in four of the existing German armies. In other words, every five men, the first man who falls

or who is sick can be replaced but the next one cannot.

IV.—This round figure of 1,810,000 to 1,920,000 is arrived at by the consideration of four categories:

1.—The *Landwehr*.

2.—The men capable of service before next summer not yet called.

3.—The men now in hospital who will return cured.

4.—Men capable of bearing arms, but kept back for necessary work within the country.

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The first to some 580,000 men.

The second to some 150,000 men, or at the most 160,000 men.

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No Claims will be recognised after the Goods have left the Godown.

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 Thursday, Jan. 4th.—Police School. Staff Class to be attended by all members detailed in orders of December 29/30. (Headquarters Club 5.30 p.m.).  
 Friday, Jan. 5th.—Police School. Class III (Inspector Gerard).  
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The following table shows the Standard Time at which Official Night ends and begins during the month of January, 1917.

Date.	Ends.	Begin.
Jan. 1st.	6.32 a.m.	6.02 p.m.
" 2nd.	6.32 "	6.02 "
" 3rd.	6.32 "	6.02 "
" 4th.	6.32 "	6.02 "
" 5th.	6.32 "	6.02 "
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## CHURCH SERVICES.

## St. John's Cathedral, Hongkong.

1st SUNDAY AFTER CHRISTMAS, DEC. 31.

## Holy Communion (7.50 a.m.)

Motets (11 a.m.)

Responses, Psalms, Venite, Magnificat, Hosanna, Woodward, Crotch, Woodward (30th); Te Deum, Lawes, Cooke, Hopkins; Jubilate, Goodson; Hymns, 83, 328.

"God Save the King."

## Evening (5.45 p.m.)

Responses, Psalms, Chants of 30th and 31st; Magnificat, Trent (7th morning); Nunc Dimittis, Barnby (Magnificat). Carols—The First Nowell, Like silver lamps; Good King Wenceslas. Hymns, 59, 285.

## Union Church, Kennedy Road.

Morning Service at 11 a.m.—Hymns, 477, 488, 478, 495.

Evening service at 6 p.m.—Hymns, 304, 481, 297, 11.

Preacher: Rev. J. Kirk Macdonald.

Watch Night Service in the Lecture Hall at 11.15 p.m.

## Peak Church.

Evening Service at 6.30.

## St. Peter's Church, West Point.

8 a.m.—Holy Communion.

11 a.m.—Morning Prayer and Sermon.

11.15 p.m.—Watch Night Service, followed by celebration of Holy Communion.

## The Gospel Hall.

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Gospel Meeting, 6 p.m.

Tuesday and Thursday: Bible study 8 p.m.

Friday: Ladies' Bible study 6.30 p.m.

Saturday: Prayer meeting, 8 p.m.

## First Church of Christ Scientist.

MacDonnell Road.

Sundays, 11 a.m.

Wednesdays, 2.30 p.m.

## Wesleyan Methodist Church, Wanchai.

Sunday Morning Service 10.15 a.m.

Sunday Evening Service 8.15 p.m.

## Soldiers and Sailors Home.

Sunday Evening, Gospel Meeting, 8 p.m.

## St. Joseph's Church, Garden Road.

Mass and Sermon at 10 a.m. followed by the Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament.

## Roman Catholic Cathedral, Glebe.

Low Mass at 7 and 9.30 a.m.

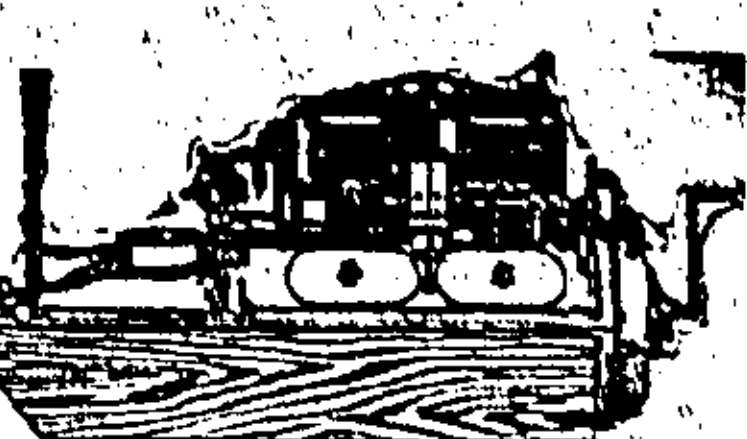
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